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SIMPLIFICATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF RULES OF ORIGIN

(R/O) REQUIREMENTS

REF: STOCKHOLM 1224

- 1. KJELL MARTIN FREDERIKSEN, WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR R/O QUESTIONS AT THE NORWEGIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY, STATED THAT THE SWEDISH PROPOSAL (STOCKHOLM 1224) ALSO FORMED THE BASIS FOR A NORWEGIAN PROPOSAL TO EC. OTHER EFTA NATIONS WOULD ALSO PRESENT SIMILAR PROPOSALS ON A BILATERAL BASIS.
- 2. ALTHOUGH NORWAY HAD ACCEPTED THE R/O IN ITS AGREEMENT WITH THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EC, IT WILL CONTINUE WORK FOR SIMPLICATION, LIBERALIZATION AND

IMPROVEMENTS OF THESE RULES.

3. FREDERIKSEN REALIZED PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT ACCORDED PRODUCTS WITHIN FREE TRADE AREA MAY MEAN U.S. WOULD HAVE GREATER DIFFICULTY SELLING IN THE FREE TRADE AREA. NORWAY WOULD THEREFORE CONSIDER ANY "CONCRETE" COMPLAINTS THROUGH "OFFICIAL CHANNELS" CONCERNING THE EFFECT OF THE R/O REQUIREMENTS. NO "CONCRETE" COMPLAINTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AS OF YET ACCORDING TO FREDERISEN. WHEN ASKED WHAT ACTION NORWAY COULD TAKE IN RESPONSE TO SPECIFIC COMPLAINTS, FREDERIKSEN ADMITTED NORWAY HAD NOT ESTABLISHED ANY QUIDELINES YET.

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